FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 24, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 1437**

This bill, if enacted, will establish, as part of the state's multi-county regional library system, the Northeast Tennessee Public Library, to be operated and administered by the Watauga Regional Library Board.

The purpose of the Northeast Tennessee Public Library shall be to provide legislative information and to develop and implement a communications network for the benefit of the citizens of the Watauga region.

The physical site and facilities for the library shall be as provided for by the Watauga Regional Library Board, with approval of the State Library and Archives Management Board. Provided, however, the physical site and facilities shall be located in one or more of the six counties of the Watauga region.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$31,120 and a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$16,280. This estimate is based on equipping 15 libraries in the region plus the regional office, at a cost of \$2,963 per site, with necessary computer equipment and communication lines.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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